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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicants recognize that in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 1302.14, the Examiner's reasons for allowance need not set forth all of the details as to why the claims are allowed. In the above-referenced application, Applicants do not concede that the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance are the only reasons for which the claims are allowable. In particular, Applicants do not concede that all of the identified limitations—i.e., **"the partial tracks are substantially identical in a longitudinal direction, and at least two of the partial tracks have different widths, and wherein the partial tracks have widths that adapt a transversal profile  $\Psi_y$  of an excitation strength in the excitation area to a shape  $\Phi_y$ , of the transversal basic mode; as required in claim 4; and a width of the center partial track is greater than a width of a marginal partial track by at least a factor of five, as required by claim 6."**—are necessary to distinguish the prior art of record or to satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112. Furthermore, the claims may be patentable for other reasons. In addition, the dependent claims are allowable on their own merits, and are allowable on the basis of a sub-combination of the recited features of the dependent claims and their respective base claims.

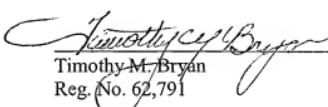
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